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Media Advisory

SAPD and TxDOT Team Up for a DWI Prevention Effort during the 4th of July Holiday

The San Antonio Police Department has joined forces with the Texas Department of Transportation during the 4th of July holiday in efforts to save lives and raise awareness on the consequences of DWI. This holiday campaign will operate Friday, June 25th, and run through and including July 4th.

San Antonio Police Chief William McManus wants everyone to enjoy the holiday but cautions, "If you're going to drink – don't drive. Just don't do it".

San Antonio Police Officers will be out in force this holiday and if you are caught drinking and driving, it can cost you. On average, a DWI arrest and conviction can cost between \$5,000 and \$24,000 or more.

Helpful options:

- Designate a sober driver
- Keep cab company phone numbers handy
- Look into alternate rides home (public transportation, pedicabs)
- Make arrangements to call someone you trust
- Spend the night where you are
- Step up and step in – don't let friends and family drive if they've been drinking
- Volunteer to be a designated driver

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